

The Story of TSCA Reform

An ELI Membership Seminar

On June 22, 2016 President Obama signed the Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act, amending the Toxic Substances Control Act for the first time since its passage in 1976. While environmental organizations, public health advocates, the regulated community, and EPA have all supported updating the law since at least 2009, political challenges seemed destined to prevent comprehensive reform. Nonetheless, dedicated advocates from various stakeholder groups and committed members of Congress and their staffs overcame the hurdles and passed the most significant federal environmental law in a quarter century.

How did stakeholders and elected officials negotiate the political gridlock surrounding most recent attempts at environmental legislation? How were major issues such as the preemption of state law and financing addressed? What other roadblocks were overcome, and what can environmental, public health, and industry advocates learn from the experience?

Join us to examine the unique history of TSCA reform, and hear from people and organizations critical to its ultimate success. Speakers will share insight from the road to reform and field questions from the audience.

Panelists:

John Pendergrass VP of Programs & Publications, Environmental Law Institute
(moderator)

Lynn Bergeson, Managing Partner, Bergeson & Campbell PC

Sarah Brozena, Senior Director of Regulatory & Technical Affairs, American Chemistry Council

Richard Denison, Lead Senior Scientist, Environmental Defense Fund

David Goldston, Director of Government Affairs, Natural Resources Defense Council (invited)

Jim Jones, Assistant Administrator, Office of Chemical Safety & Pollution Prevention, US EPA

David J. McCarthy, Chief Counsel, Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy, House Committee on Energy and Commerce

Senator Tom Udall, US Senate (D-NM)

When:

July 14, 2016
2:30 PM to 4:00PM ET

Where:

Environmental Law Institute
1730 M Street NW, Suite 700
Washington, DC 20036

And via webinar

RSVP:

July 12, 2016

Teleconference information will be emailed one business day prior to the event.

